

COMMON COUNCIL
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
OCTOBER 5, 2004

- I. Mayor Fred Armstrong called a regular meeting of the City Common Council to order at approximately 7:05 P.M.
 - A. Opening Prayer was given by Greg Tatum, Senior Pastor at First Christian Church.
 - B. Pledge – Mayor Armstrong led the Pledge of Allegiance.
 - C. Roll Call: Present: John Brown, Ann Devore, George Dutro, Thomas Hodek, Robert Kittle, Martha Myers, August Tindell.
 - D. Acceptance of Minutes from the previous meeting: Robert Kittle moved to approve the minutes from the last meeting and Ann Devore seconded the motion. Motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.
- II. Unfinished Business Requiring Council Action
 - A. Second reading of an Ordinance entitled “ORDINANCE NO.27, 2004, ANNEXING AND DECLARING TO BE PART OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, INDIANA, CERTAIN TERRITORY CONTIGUOUS THERETO.” (Cornerstone Commercial West) Jeff Bergman, Planning Director, explained this was the second reading and asked for any questions. George Dutro reminded the Council he had a conflict of interest on this item and would not be voting. Martha Myers made a motion to approve the ordinance. Tom Hodek seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0.
 - B. First reading of an Ordinance entitled “ORDINANCE NO.____, 2004, SMOKING IN PUBLIC PLACES AND PLACES OF EMPLOYMENT” Peggy Voelz, Tobacco Awareness Coordinator, spoke on behalf of the ordinance. John Brown made a motion to amend the “amended” ordinance back to its original form. August Tindell seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. John Brown, Ann Devore, Tom Hodek, Martha Myers and August Tindell voted in favor of amending the “amended” ordinance back to the original form. George Dutro and Robert Kittle voted against the motion. The motion passed by a vote 5 to 2. Microphones were available for the public and approximately 45 people spoke on their views as it regarded to the ordinance. Documents were presented to be placed in the record. August Tindell made a motion to approve the ordinance. John Brown seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. John Brown, Martha Myers and August Tindell voted in favor of the motion. Ann Devore, George Dutro, Tom Hodek and Robert Kittle voted against the motion. The motion failed by a vote of 4 to 3.
- III. New Business Requiring Council Action
 - A. Public Hearing and First reading of an Ordinance entitled “ORDINANCE NO.____, 2004, AN ORDINANCE VACATING PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY.” (Sycamore St.) Jeff Bergman explained the Columbus City Plat Committee on September 23, 2004 considered a proposal by the City of Columbus and Tom North to vacate 1054 sq. ft.

of right of way along the east side of Sycamore Drive approximately 60 ft. south of the intersection of Sycamore Street and Volland Drive. Mr. North will be dedicating 1054 sq. ft. of right-of-way immediately to the north of this vacation, so the actual area of right-of-way in this area will not be reduced but remain the same. The Plat Committee unanimously voted to send a favorable recommendation to the Common Council. Brief discussion followed. George Dutro moved to place in proper channels. Ann Devore seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.

- B. First reading of an Ordinance entitled “ORDINANCE. 28, 2004, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 28, 2003 ENTITLED “THE 2004 SALARY ORDINANCE.” Jeff Bergman stated the ordinance before the Council was for the purpose of establishing a senior planner and full-time secretary within the Planning Department for the remainder of this year. He reminded the Council they had already approved these changes for the 2005 budget year. He indicated no additional funds would be needed. Ann Devore made a motion to place in proper channels. Ann Devore then withdrew that motion and moved to suspend the rules and approve the ordinance on first reading. Tom Hodek seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0. Ann Devore moved to approve the ordinance and Robert Kittle seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.

IV. Other Business

- A. Reports were given for informational purposes.
- B. The next scheduled meeting of the Common Council is Tuesday, October 19, 2004 in the Council Chambers.
- C. Adjourn – Martha Myers moved to adjourn. Robert Kittle seconded the motion. The motion to adjourn passed by a vote of 7 to 0. The meeting adjourned at approximately 9:07 o’clock P.M.

Presiding Officer of the Common Council

Attest:

Columbus City Clerk Treasurer